

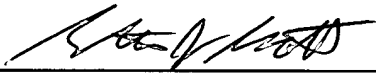
In this rejection, the Examiner cites the size of the starch particles themselves as falling within the range claimed by the present invention. This comparison, however, is not accurate. The particle size range recited in claim 24 refers to the size of the amylose particles that are dispersed within amylopectin, not to the size of "starch particles." For at least these reasons presented above, the rejection of the claims should be withdrawn.

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